

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. - 20. (canceled)

21. (new) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of 18 to 120 nucleotides wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:

- (a) at least 18 consecutive nucleotides of VGR3152, wherein VGR3152 encodes VGAM 1930 and VGAM 1931;
- (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
- (c) a sequence at least 34/58 identical to (a) or (b); or
- (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c).